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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: DETECTION OF ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCES IN MICROORGANISMS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

October 31, 2000

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to the examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claims 6, 8-11, 13-17, 19, 21, 26-30, line 1 of each, delete "one of the preceding

claims" and insert therefor -- claim 1--.

- Claim 18, line 1, delete "either Claim 16 or 17" and insert therefor --claim 16--..
- Claim 33, line 1, delete "or 32".
- Claim 35, line 1, delete "or 32".
- Claim 41, line 1, delete "or 40".
- Cancel claim 43 without prejudice.
 - Claim 50, line 1, delete "or 49".